

Hiba Masad

Participatory Artist

"I believe that art is a dynamic human experience with a lot of emotions involved and I want to use art as a tool to help people find peace and be in touch with their emotions."



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Professional Experience

March 2023 – June 2023

- **Part-Time Lecturer of Color Theory**

Faculty of Arts & Design, *Jordan University* Amman, Jordan

September 2022 – present

- **Founder | Collective Public Readings in Amman initiative**

Amman, Jordan



January 2023 – March 2023

- **Artistic Researcher | Project**

The Lab/Darat Al Funun

Researching Al- Arabi magazine archive

A research- based workshop with a group of Artists, writers and researchers to explore the archive of Al-Arabi magazine to come out with selected texts for a series of collective reading sessions and a final showcase.

September 2013 – September 2021

- **Senior Activity Specialist**

Knowledge Path Children's Library

Abdul Hameed Shoman Foundation

Amman, Jordan

o Storytelling for children aged from 3-16 years old
o Library tasks such as circulation desk procedures and databasing
o Took part at the ALA Conferences in Sharjah, UAE in 2016 and 2017
o Drawing, Painting, Printmaking & Singing workshops
o Designing programs for children from all age groups
o Writing reports & annual plans
o Writing activity plans and auditing team plans
o Creating online cultural content for children during the covid-19 pandemic
o Part of the Social & Cultural Committee of the Foundation

February 2013 – May 2013

- **Temporary Activity Teacher**

Kindergarten, *New English School* Amman, Jordan

Courses and Workshops

- Performance & Sound Poetry in Public Space - *Myriam van Imschoot & Marcus Bergner* / May 2022
- DBT Skills Training: Fundamentals - *DBT MENA* / January 2022
- Movement in Public Space - *Stichiting Vloeistof* / January 2022
- Photography Practical Workshop - *Roya Academy for Media Training* / Feb 2021
- Planning and implementing lasting literary experiences for young people - *Goethe* / October 2017
- Emotional Intelligence Workshop - *Trainer Hussam Fakhouri* / September 2017
- Working with Children Workshop - *Trainer Flora Majdalawi* / May 2016
- Communication Skills Workshop - *Trainer Hussam Fakhouri* / May 2016
- "The Arts as a Tool for Development" Workshop - *British Council* / March 2016
- Positive thinking- *Trainer Sanaa Abdo* / January 2016
- Reading is fun - *Goethe Institut* / February 2015
- IELTS Course - *British Council* / January - March 2015
- Microsoft Office 2010 Course - *Computeach* / August 2014
- Child Protection Course - *Shoman Foundation* / May 2014
- "Working with Children" Course - *Shoman Foundation* / March - April 2014
- "The art of reading for children: We love reading" Course - *USAID* / April 2014

Skills

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| - Teamwork | - Problem solving | - Microsoft Office |
| - Collaboration | - Communication | - M2L Software |
| - Organization | - Community Outreach | - Koha Software |

Languages

Arabic: **Native** Dutch: **Beginner**

English: **Very Good** IELTS Score: 6/9 | January 2019

References

_Name / Place / Contact

- Prof. Ghassan Abu Laban / Artist / University Of Jordan / +962 79 673 5824 / Ghassan.abulaban@gmail.com
- Rua Al-Hullaisy / Shoman Foundation / rua.h@shoman.org.jo / +962796875952
- Danae Theodoridou / performance maker and researcher / d.theodoridou@fontys.nl
- David Limaverde / art educator, participatory performance artist, and researcher / d.limaverde@fontys.nl

Education

September 2021 - June 2022

- **Master of Arts - Performing Public Space**

Research Title: Reading as a Collective Action: Designing Performative Reading Encounters to Collectively Reflect on the Concepts of Home and Belonging from Nonwestern Perspective Literature.

HHK Tilburg | Tilburg, The Netherlands

June 2012

- **Bachelor of Fine Arts in Visual Arts and Printmaking**

School of Arts and Design

The University of Jordan | Amman, Jordan

Spring Semester 2010

- **Study Abroad Workshop**

Academia di Belle Arti di Roma | Rome, Italy

- **High School Diploma - Literary stream**

Islamic Education College - Class of 2008 | Amman, Jordan

Summary

Through my studies, career and personal experiences, I have developed a good sense and understanding of Art, comprising of creative talent, curiosity and awareness of the importance of Art on society, culture & mental health.

Over the past eight years I have been working as an activity specialist at a public library in Amman which opened my eyes to the role of arts and literature in developing creative societies. During those years I ran several artistic workshops and activities with both children and adults alike from various backgrounds of society. I have also continued working on my own personal art in the form of painting and printmaking and recently I'm focusing on public space as my artistic playground.

Activities

- o **Volunteering with "House of Tales and Music":**
 - Music activity for refugees at Al-Emirates camp | May 2017
 - Summer Camp | July 2013
 - Art activities for refugees in cooperation with the Jordanian Women Union and the Youth Volunteers organization in Al-Ramtha, Jordan | January 2013
- o **Volunteering with "The Ministry of Education":**
 - Art activities at Al-Karameh refugee camp | November 2012
- o **Singing:**
 - Amaan Choir | 2018 - 2020
 - Al-Hannouneh Choir | 2014 - 2018
 - Music House Choir | 2010 - 2012
 - University of Jordan Choir | 2009 - 2012
 - The National Music Conservatory Choir | 2009 - 2010

Art Exhibitions

- o **Graphic Artists Exhibition** | February 2020
 - Al Daghise Gallery
Amman, Jordan
- o **"Inspired by the Place" Exhibition** | August 2018
 - Permanent Exhibition at Ras Al-Ain Gallery
Amman, Jordan
- o **Graphic Artists Exhibition** | November 2016
 - Displayed printmaking artwork at a gallery in Zara Center
Amman, Jordan

Hobbies and Interests

